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WEEKLY SAINT PAUL FIRE & EMS BLOTTER

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This feature we call "Fire & EMS Blotter" is a weekly update of the activities of the Saint Paul Fire Department. During the week of July 9 thru July 15, the Saint Paul Fire Department responded to 781 calls for service. Here is a **sampling** of some of the emergency and non-emergency activities from information provided by the fire department.

UNATTENDED COOKING - On July 2 at 8:10 p.m. on the 10 block of 4th St East an occupant left a pan on the stove unattended, sending smoke throughout the apartment. The occupant was transported to a nearby hospital for smoke inhalation. Damage is estimated at \$50.

LIGHTNING STRIKE - On July 11 at 8:59 a.m. on the 900 block of Lincoln Avenue fire companies were dispatched to a two story single family dwelling with fire coming out the eaves from the peak of the house. Neighbors witnessed a lightning strike in the neighborhood and then looked out to find smoke coming from the peak of the roof. Damage is estimated at \$370,000.



ARSON - On July 12 at 4:09 a.m. on the 800 block of Cook Avenue East fire companies extinguished a fire in a car that was parked in the rear of a dwelling. The fire was intentionally set. An Arson Reward sign was posted. Damage is estimated at \$400.

UNATTENDED COOKING - On July 12 at 1:08 p.m. on the 700 block of 6th Street East fire companies were dispatched to a reported stovetop fire. Upon their arrival they found and extinguished a small fire on an electric range top that had extended to the cabinetry above. The occupant had put a pan on the stove, took her pain medication, and woke to see flames on the stove. Damage is estimated at \$5,000.



Accidental stovetop fire with extension to cabinets above

PEDESTRIAN STRUCK - On July 13 at 5:35 p.m. on Rice Street and Sycamore Street West a 23 year old man was struck by a slow moving vehicle as he was riding his bike. Paramedics treated and transported him to a nearby hospital.

FALL - On July 13 at 11:56 a.m. on the 1300 block of Maywood Street a 63 year old man fell 6-7 feet from a step ladder landing on soft ground. Paramedics treated and transported him to a nearby hospital.

ARSON - On July 14 at 9:23 p.m. on the 160 block of Morton Street West firefighters responded to a port-a-potty fire in a public parks and recreation area; they extinguished the fire. Damage is estimated at \$1,000.



An Arson Reward sign was posted at the site of this fire.

PEDESTRIAN STRUCK - On July 15 at 3:17 p.m. on Hamline Avenue North and University Avenue West a 69 year old woman was struck by a slow moving vehicle. Paramedics evaluated her. She refused transport.

GARAGE FIRE - On July 15 at 6:29 p.m. on the 1000 block of Victoria Street North fire crews extinguished a two car detached garage fire that was fully involved in fire. A friend of the family was over trying to start a motorcycle in the garage when the motorcycle backfired, ignited and then spread fire to the garage. The fire also damaged several nearby locations with damage totaling \$9,000.

